"DESTRUCTION"

503

Et si le plus épouvantable des cauchemars de Ladybug se réalisait ? Et si Papillon pouvait obliger les kwamis connaissant l'adresse de Ladybug à le mener jusqu'à elle? Les malheureuses petites créatures n'auraient d'autre choix que de lui obéir ! Et si Papillon débarquait chez Marinette Dupain-Cheng… parviendrait-elle à lui échapper ?

What if Ladybug's worst nightmare came true? What if Hawk Moth could force the kwamis who know Ladybug's address to lead him to her? The unfortunate little creatures would have no choice but to obey him… And if Hawk Moth showed up at Marinette Dupain-Cheng's home, would she be able to escape him?

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1 **INT. MARINETTE'S ROOM - NIGHT**

Marinette, in her pajamas, is looking at her computer (it's off). She hesitates, glances at the trapdoor of her room as if someone might pop out. Then, looking guilty, she unlocks the screen to launch a video... from Alya's Ladyblog.

1 ALYA (IN THE VIDEO)
Now that Shadow Moth has stolen almost every Miraculous and has people calling him Monarch...

The sound is too loud; Marinette turns it down as fast as she can, as if she was afraid of waking someone up.

In the screen, Alya clearly looks very worried.

2 ALYA (IN THE VIDEO) (CONT'D)
...with all of these powers, what is he planning?

Suddenly...

3 ALYA (O.S.) (CONT'D)
Marinette! What did we say?

Marinette whirls around and sees Alya watching her, her head sticking out of the trapdoor that leads to the living room below.

Marinette answers while trying to turn off the video on her computer.

4 MARINETTE
I... the... video launched by itself.

5 ALYA
Of course it did!
(a beat)
Hey, you want some fruit with your tea?

6 MARINETTE
Sure. Thanks, Alya.

7 ALYA
Wait for me there and think of something else.

Alya closes the trapdoor and disappears. In a clumsy move, Marinette starts the video again. It shows Alya's voice breaking under the emotion.

8 ALYA (IN THE VIDEO) (CONT'D)
Ladybug, Cat Noir... be super careful!

Marinette hurriedly turns off the video and then the computer. She sighs.

2 **INT. AGRESTE CRYPT - NIGHT**

In the crypt, the kwamis captured by Gabriel, frightened, are watching their new master thundering furiously:

9 GABRIEL
Ladybug...once I get the last Miraculous, you will disappear forever!!

He suddenly points to the kwamis:

10 GABRIEL (CONT'D)
And YOU! You're all going to help me!!

The kwamis see Gabriel rushing to his translation of the Grimoire. He peruses it frantically, then turns to Orikko, with an air of demented jubilation on his face:

11 GABRIEL (CONT'D)
YOU... YOU can grant me any power I want! YOU WILL GIVE ME... THE POWER TO TRAVEL THROUGH TIME!

12 ORIKKO
No, you're mistaken. Time travel is Fluff's power... and I can't grant a power that already belongs to another kwami!

Gabriel shoots him a bewildered look. He checks the Grimoire. Squints suspiciously.

13 GABRIEL
Are you trying to deceive me?

He walks towards Orikko, threatening. Orikko doesn't flinch.

14 ORIKKO
By all means, read the Grimoire again.

Feeling that Orikko is annoying Gabriel, Sass intervenes learnedly.

15 SASS
Each kwami represents a concept, and a concept can only exist once in the universe...

A magnificent illustration appears behind him to illustrate what he is saying. On a background representing the universe, we see all the kwamis and their associated concepts, represented in the form of a logo.

As Gabriel remains inexpressive, Xuppu thinks he didn't understand anything. He explains things to him as one would do with a little child.

16 XUPPU
(to Sass)
Too complicated, Sass!
(to Gabriel)
Let's use an example to make things simpler. Take Tikki – she is the kwami of creation! And creation is creation... and if there's another creation than creation, then it's not creation, it's replication!

Gabriel, annoyed, interrupts Xuppu, and turns to Orikko again.

17 GABRIEL
Then grant me the power to locate Ladybug's and Cat Noir's Miraculous!

Orikko, unable to hide what he thinks, breaks into an amused grin. He knows his answer will not please.

18 ORIKKO
Trouble is, that's not a power... that's a wish!

Xuppu carries on with his explanation-for-dummies!

19 XUPPU
For instance, if I ask Santa for a pair of socks, that's a wish. But if I want Santa to grant me <u>the power to knit socks</u>, then it means Santa needs to know how to knit socks in the first place, so he can teach me!

An exasperated Gabriel sweeps away the explanation and directs all his attention to Orikko:

20 GABRIEL
Grant me the power to unmask Ladybug's and Cat Noir's secret identities!

Xuppu beats Orikko to it before he can answer.

21 XUPPU
No can do!

Orikko doesn't want to lose the floor and pushes Xuppu aside.

22 ORIKKO
I CANNOT give a power that would disrupt another Kwami's magic! And being able to conceal the person behind the costume, well that's part of the magic of their Kwami!

Gabriel bellows at Orikko:

23 GABRIEL
SO YOU'RE UTTERLY USELESS!!!

Orikko is stung to the core.

24 ORIKKO
I won't be talked to like this, sir!

Barkk instantly comes and comforts Orikko (who doesn't need it).

25 BARKK
Oh very nicely done... You've offended him!

26 ORIKKO
Not at all, I'm not offended!

Sass looks at Gabriel sternly:

27 SASS
Are you proud of yourself?

28 ORIKKO
Really, I'm fine...

But several kwamis are already taking the opportunity to revolt, and start chanting at Gabriel:

29 THE KWAMIS
MEANIE! MEANIE! MEANIE!

Gabriel silences them with one gesture.

30 GABRIEL
I command you to be quiet.

The kwamis' mouths close magically (see *Sandboy*). They can no longer make any sound.

Gabriel calms down.

31 GABRIEL (CONT'D)
Actually, I don't need your powers, I just need you. *

An evil smile creeps across his lips.

32 GABRIEL (CONT'D)
So, you're going to reveal your guardian's identity.

The kwamis shiver, looking at each other in panic. Gabriel understands he's hit the bull's eye. He rumbles.

33 GABRIEL (CONT'D)
I COMMAND YOU!

He snaps his fingers and the kwamis' mouths are no longer sealed. The poor kwamis have no choice but to answer in chorus, in spite of themselves:

34 KWAMIS
Ladybug!

Gabriel gets more threatening than ever.

35 GABRIEL
I KNOW Ladybug is the guardian! What I want is Ladybug's secret identity and I ORDER you to reveal it!!!

Except the kwamis can only answer... with a little concerto of bubbles that go "plop"! Sass lectures Gabriel as if it was obvious:

36 SASS
Kwamis cannot expose the identity of their holder!

37 MULLO
And since Ladybug has never renounced us... she's still our holder!

38 XUPPU
It's kind of like those pajamas you put away without washing them first, you see--

39 GABRIEL
(interrupting him)
You want to play? Well then let's play together! I don't need Ladybug's identity. I only have to force you to tell me... where she lives!

The kwamis freak out. Gabriel gloats.

40 GABRIEL (CONT'D)
And there's no rule against that, is there?

The kwamis' silence is a positive response.

41 GABRIEL (CONT'D)
Take me to where Ladybug lives!

Gabriel stops in front of Ziggi – she's terrified. With her voice cracking as the other kwamis look on sadly:

42 ZIGGI
Just follow... sniff... the smell of croissants...

43 MONARCH *
It's time to capture that ladybug!

3 **EXT. PARIS. NIGHT**

Shot of the city, deep in the quiet of a peaceful Parisian night. The camera moves over the roofs... all the way to the...

4 **EXT. DUPAIN-CHENG BAKERY. NIGHT**

...delicious golden aroma coming out of the Dupain-Cheng bakery, where the light is still on. We can hear Tom humming sadly...

44 TOM (OFF)
Nothing warms the heart like a little bread roll...

5 **INT. DUPAIN-CHENG BAKERY - NIGHT**

45 TOM
Pom, pom, some butter in a bowl... like a kiss for the soul!

In the bakery, Tom is taking a new batch of hot croissants out of the oven. He hasn't noticed...

...Sabine, standing in her pajamas with her arms folded across her chest, behind him on the doorstep. She scolds him gently.

46 SABINE
Tom... is now really the right time to be baking croissants?

Tom, with his back turned, doesn't stop working and answers confidently:

47 TOM
More than ever, my darling.

As he starts working on a new batch of loafs:

48 TOM (CONT'D)
You know, I'm... I'm not a superhero; I'm just a baker.

... he pours the sack of flour into the dough mixer and starts the icing on the batch that's cooling down...

49 TOM (CONT'D)
So, in order to help Ladybug and Cat Noir, I'm going to keep doing what I know how to do: pastries and bread!

He finally stops fidgeting for 30 seconds to look his wife straight in the eye. She sees a shaken Tom, but more determined, more heroic than ever.

50 TOM (CONT'D)
I hope that their delicious aroma and crispy layers will make every Parisian so happy... that this wretched Monarch won't find a single soul to akumatize! *

He slams a resolute fist on his work table. Sabine smiles tenderly and tastes one of the croissants.

51 SABINE
I don't know if it's the power of your croissants or your big heart, darling, but with each passing day I love you a little more.

Tom, moved, takes the time to take in what his wife's just said to him. Then a huge smile creeps up on his face.

52 TOM
Ha... Haha! Take that, Monarch! One taste of my croissants means two less people to akumatize! *

He happily goes back to work, singing light-heartedly. Sabine puts on her apron and joins him.

PAN UP: on the floor above...

6 **INT. MARINETE'S ROOM - NIGHT**

Marinette is still in her pajamas, now on her bed, scrolling through her smartphone where she sees one news title after another, all about Ladybug, Cat Noir and Monarch. * * *

53 MARINETTE *
Think of something else...

She puts her phone away and lies down, staring at the ceiling. * *

54 MARINETTE (CONT'D)
Think of something else...

She immediately turns her head and sees Tikki, half hidden by the pillow, smiling at her sadly.

55 MARINETTE (CONT'D)
How *can* I think of anything else?

Suddenly a sound rings out. Without getting up:

56 MARINETTE (CONT'D)
Alya?

No answer. Marinette stands up warily while Tikki hides.

In the middle of her room, Marinette sees MONARCH in "QuadriMoth mode" (Nooroo + Kaalki + Wayzz + Pollen unified), ready to fire the paralyzing spinning top of the Bee Miraculous he is holding in his hand. Behind the villain, the Voyage portal closes. *

QuadriMoth is surrounded by the un-unified kwamis.

He looks up towards the mezzanine where Marinette is, rooted to the spot. He looks at her, surprised, then turns towards Ziggi.

57 QUADRIMOTH
Marinette Dupain-Cheng? Are you sure?

A terrified-looping Ziggi nods and immediately says:

58 ZIGGI
And now you have to ask her for the gift.

59 QUADRIMOTH
What do you mean, the gift?

60 ZIGGI
You have to ask Marinette Dupain-Cheng for "the gift that Ladybug gave her"!

Gabriel doesn't react, so Xuppu goes for it...

61 XUPPU
So, a gift is...

QuadriMoth shuts him up.

62 QUADRIMOTH
Enough!
(to Marinette)
You have a... gift for me!?

Marinette meets the eyes of her kwamis. Then she looks at QuadriMoth again. She pretends to be terrified.

63 MARINETTE
Oh! Uh... yes, the... the gift Ladybug gave me! Right!

Under QuadriMoth's impressive and suspicious gaze, Marinette comes down from the mezzanine.

He threatens her with the spinning top.

64 QUADRIMOTH
Don't make any sudden moves...

Marinette walks awkwardly towards her desk and faceplants. QuadriMoth instinctively wants to fire the spinning top. But Marinette puts her hands in plain view and gets up.

65 MARINETTE
Sorry, I'm... I'm sorry... I'll get you the gift right now!

She opens a drawer, gently, as QuadriMoth stares at her. She pulls out a keychain shaped like a red yo-yo with black dots. She holds it out to the villain with a tense smile.

66 MARINETTE (CONT'D)
There.

QuadriMoth looks at the little keychain without taking it.

67 QUADRIMOTH
Divide.

He turns back into Monarch, and lets his anger explode in front of all the liberated kwamis. *

68 MONARCH *
I DIDN'T ASK YOU FOR A KEYCHAIN!!!
I ASKED YOU TO TAKE ME TO THE GUARDIAN!!!

His anger frightens the kwamis so much that they all hide in single file behind Sass, who calmly answers:

69 SASS
Yes. And that's what we're doing, Monarch. *

70 ROARR
As Ladybug is always very careful, we don't know her address...

71 BARKK
So, in case we'd get lost, she came up with a little scavenger hunt to help us find where she lives...

72 XUPPU
Isn't this so much fun?

73 DAIZZI
And the first clue was to follow the smell of croissants!

Monarch looks at Marinette and the yo-yo keychain she is still holding out, shaking like a leaf *on purpose*. *

74 MONARCH *
You know where to find Ladybug?!

Marinette acts super scared, pretending to be terrorized by the huge Monarch standing before her. * *

75 MARINETTE
No... I... I mean, La... La...dybug gave me this keychain when she gave me the Miraculous of the Mouse... to give to the kwami...
(she points to Mullo)
(MORE)

MARINETTE (CONT'D)
Mullo... if she couldn't pick it up or if I got lost on the way... or if I was late... I'm such a klutz... there was a chance that might happen... so... I get why she didn't trust me all that much and...

Monarch shuts her up with an icy glare. *

76 MARINETTE (CONT'D)
Anyway, I... here you go. I got the keychain. But I don't know who Ladybug is or where she lives.

Monarch stares at her suspiciously, looking at the keychain -- * he still hasn't taken it.

Just then the trapdoor opens... on Alya, in her pajamas, holding a tray with two cups of tea, slices of fruit and two steaming croissants!

77 ALYA
Hey, your dad gave me these crois--

She stops suddenly and drops the tray when she sees Monarch. *

78 ALYA (CONT'D)
--sants!

A beat of intense amazement. Marinette, Alya and Monarch * exchange tense looks. Monarch immediately threatens Alya... *

79 MONARCH *
You! ...YOU know who Ladybug is!

Alya pulls herself together immediately and denies it vigorously...

80 ALYA
No I don't!

...before whipping out her phone to film Monarch! *

81 ALYA (CONT'D)
But now *she's* going to know where *you* are!

Monarch jumps in surprise and backs off, while Alya turns the * phone back to herself to comment on the scene, like a seasoned field reporter.

82 ALYA (CONT'D)
Listen up peeps! Mega-Scoop! ... Live from Marinette Dupain-Cheng's room...
(aiming the camera at Monarch) *
Monarch, now that you've got all * the Miraculous, what do you think Ladybug is up to?
(MORE)

ALYA (CONT'D)
Maybe she's moving her secret hideout? Or she's looking for a replacement?!
(smiling sarcastically)
Or maybe... she's *already* on your trail!?

An exasperated Monarch pushes Alya's phone away with a sudden gesture, sending it crashing against the wall! *

Then he finally takes the keychain from Marinette's hand. He smashes it to pieces. Inside is a piece of paper. Monarch reads the number written on it: *

83 MONARCH *
42?
(to the kwamis)
What is *this* supposed to mean?!

Xuppu rolls his eyes.

84 XUPPU
So a number is a series of funny little symbols that are generally useless except for noting how many * bananas you want for your afternoon snack!

Instead of interrupting Xuppu's tirade, Monarch squints and smiles. He shows Xuppu the key of the destroyed keychain. *

85 MONARCH *
And what's this?

86 XUPPU
Well that is the key that opens a locker at this place where you can slide around like crazy on top of a frozen pool!

Daizzi can't help but cheerfully add in his two cents.

87 DAIZZI
Oh yes, the guardian would tell us about it all the time, she LOVES going there!

Monarch exults. *

88 MONARCH *
The ice rink! Nooroo, Kaalki, unify.

Upgrading his outfit to DualMoth, he opens a portal...

89 DUALMOTH
Voyage!

He enters the portal with all the kwamis behind him. They cast a final sad glance at Marinette and Alya.

The portal closes and the girls are left alone in the room.

89A ALYA *
So, what did I miss? *

7 **INT. PARIS ICE RINK - NIGHT**

Cheerful trainer Philippe is skating on the sleek cold surface of the ice rink... He's making the most of the night's tranquility to pull a few tricks, but nearly misses his triple axel when he sees:

90 PHILIPPE
Hawk-- Moth? Are you here for a skating lesson?

At the edge of the ice rink, Monarch - in DualMoth mode - * coldly hands him the locker key.

91 DUALMOTH
I don't have time to waste.

CUT TO

8 **INT. ICE RINK / LOCKERS - DAY**

Philip opens a locker with the key. He proudly turns to DualMoth.

92 PHILIPPE
I hope this is...
(brandishing the key)
...the key to happiness! Haha!

DualMoth pushes him away to analyze what's inside the locker. Inside, he finds a photo of Cat Noir's statue at the Grévin Museum, along with another piece of paper that reads:

93 DUALMOTH
"Street..."

DualMoth exults: he's got it!

94 DUALMOTH (CONT'D)
"42" and "street"... the pieces of paper spell out an address!

On Xuppu looking crestfallen.

95 XUPPU
It's not like it was difficult!

Monarch does not even bother reacting -- he's too busy * perusing the advertising postcard for Cat Noir's statue at the Grévin Museum.

96 DUALMOTH
... And I know where to find the next clue!

<click!> Monarch, engrossed in his scavenger hunt, realizes * that Philippe is taking a selfie with him!

97 PHILIPPE
A celebrity like you here will pack in the crowds! *

A furious Monarch pushes him away unceremoniously. *

98 DUALMOTH
Voyage!

A new portal opens. He rushes into it with his kwamis.

Philip watches the portal close. Then he goes back to his smartphone, hurriedly racking his brains to find the right comment to add to his selfie!

99 PHILIPPE
"*Iceman visiting the rink*"... No!
... "*Monarch or Hawk Penguin? A nocturnal visit from a prestigious villain!*" Per-fect! *

Satisfied, he quickly uploads his selfie to his social media accounts!

9 **INT. GREVIN MUSEUM - ENTRANCE - NIGHT**

Monarch now faces Véronique, the curator of the Grévin Museum. *

Terrified, she looks in turns at the terrible villain with the impenetrable mask and then at the photo of Cat Noir's statue he's showing her.

100 MONARCH *
Take me to that statue.

101 VERONICA
Fo--follow me!

10 **INT. ROOM OF HEROES - GREVIN MUSEUM - NIGHT**

Véronique leads Monarch to the statue of Cat Noir. *

102 VÉRONIQUE
Will you need anything else?

103 MONARCH *
No.

Véronique runs out as quickly as she can.

Note: the statues of Ladybug and Cat Noir are placed in the center of the room, as usual. The statues around them, however, have changed: they are no longer those of the akumatized villains as in season 3, but those of the entire Miraculous Team. In this episode, they are covered with white sheets.

Monarch, left alone with the statue of Cat Noir, examines it carefully... *

and spots a piece of paper ostensibly sticking out of its bell. He delicately removes it. The bell tinkles softly.

On Monarch's triumphant smile. *

He turns the paper over to read aloud the rest of the address:

104 MONARCH (CONT'D) *
"...half... wit."

Monarch, taken aback, decomposes as he reconstructs the complete sentence: *

105 MONARCH (CONT'D) *
"42, Halfwit Street?!"

Just then he hears the sarcastic voice of Cat Noir.

106 CAT NOIR (OFF)
Heard that was your address?

Cat Noir's hand (he was pretending to be the statue instead of the real one!) quickly grabs Monarch's wrist, while Ladybug's yo-yo ties their two hands together around the wrist! *

107 CAT NOIR (CONT'D)
Cataclysm!

Cat Noir's hand, bound to Monarch's right hand, is now charged with negative energy. It would only take a gesture to touch Monarch! * *

108 LADYBUG
Lucky Charm!

A bewildered Monarch sees Ladybug advance towards him! She grabs her Lucky Charm as she does, a red hose with black dots, which she lassoes around the fire extinguisher hanging on the wall... and then she throws the whole thing at Monarch's feet, wrapping it around them like some makeshift bolas. * *

109 LADYBUG (CONT'D)
So, Monarch, I hear you've been looking for me? *

All tied up, Monarch falls backwards, with Cat Noir standing over him, still bound by the wrist, with his cataclysm unleashed. *

110 MONARCH *
Aaargh!

Meanwhile, Véronique, who had stayed in the corridor leading to the room, triggers the fire doors.

111 VÉRONIQUE
Enjoy your visit!

The doors isolate the room.

Monarch, trapped, gets ready to transform. He starts to whisper...

112 MONARCH
Nooroo, Kaalki--

But Cat Noir, still bound to him, beckons him to stop:

113 CAT NOIR
One more word, Monarch, and I'll cataclysm you!

Monarch looks at Cat Noir's hand, charged with energy, bound to his: it's true, all it would take from Cat Noir is one gesture. Monarch falls silent.

Ladybug walks up to him, smiling:

114 LADYBUG
Checkmate, Monarch.

The kwamis come out of Monarch's costume, thrilled to see their guardian again. They go and huddle up against her.

115 BARKK
Ladybug! Ah, at last!

116 SASS
Guardian!

Ziggi pretends to feel guilty.

117 ZIGGI
We're sorry, but he forced us.

Ladybug smiles tenderly to the little kwamis.

119 LADYBUG
I know you had no choice but to obey him... but it's over now!

Ladybug then looks at Monarch, still bound to Cat Noir's wrist, with a warrior's smile.

120 ZIGGI
Are we going home?

121 XUPPU
Yoo-hoo!

Ladybug kneels down next to Monarch and puts a piece of paper on which something's scribbled under his nose...

122 LADYBUG
Is this what you were looking for, Monarch?

...but she crumples it up before he can read it!

123 LADYBUG (CONT'D)
My real address was written on this... but I replaced it just before you got here!

Monarch goggles at her. *

124 MONARCH *
How--

125 CAT NOIR
Shh!

Cat Noir beckons him not to talk. Ladybug does the questions and answers for him.

126 LADYBUG
How did I know you were looking for me? ... It just so happens I'm * notified every time the ice rink * manager posts a pic! *

She shows him the selfie that Philippe took earlier at the ice rink on her Bugphone.

127 LADYBUG (CONT'D)
And I knew that if you ever showed up at the rink, that would mean you were on my trail! So Cat Noir and I rushed here to replace the paper...

128 CAT NOIR
And the statue!

129 LADYBUG
And set up this trap you so nicely fell into!

The kwamis watch Monarch squirm helplessly, trussed up in the * red hose with the polka dots.

130 XUPPU
In the end, turns out the insect that got captured was a moth! Hihi!

The kwamis laugh, and line up in a circle around Ladybug as * she goes on:

132 LADYBUG
You're not going any farther, Monarch. I'm still the guardian, * and I'm going to retrieve all the Miraculous you stole from me.

133 THE KWAMIS
(together)
Woo-hoo!

134 LADYBUG
And if you try to do anything else other than de-transform, Cat Noir will cataclysm you!

Cat Noir nods. But Monarch looks at him defiantly and tries again:

135 MONARCH
Nooroo, Kaalki, Unif...

Cat Noir jumps, startled, and clamps his hand over his mouth, begging him to shut up!

136 CAT NOIR
Don't do it... Don't make me! I don't know what this would do to you, and none of us want to find out!!!

Ladybug goes over to the villain to take away his Butterfly Miraculous:

137 LADYBUG
What we *want* to find out is who you really are!

But Monarch, desperate, pulls his right hand -- the one bound to Cat Noir's charged hand -- and clamps Cat Noir's hand on his left arm ...

Monarch self-cataclysms! His face writhes in pain, then he collapses.

138 CAT NOIR
NOOOOO!!!!

Cat Noir, Ladybug and the kwamis move away suddenly, panicking!

139 CAT NOIR (CONT'D)
Why'd he do that? Is he crazy?!

Ladybug calls her yo-yo back and cautiously approaches Monarch, whose eyes are closed.

Her hand gets closer, she's about to take away his Miraculous...

But Monarch suddenly opens his eyes!

140 MONARCH
Checkmate, Ladybug!

He suddenly yanks himself free and finally utters:

141 MONARCH (CONT'D)
NOOROO! KAALKI! UNIFY!

No sooner has he turned into DualMoth than he whispers with an awful smile:

142 MONARCH (CONT'D)
Voyage!

A portal appears under him and he disappears into it, still entwined in Ladybug's Lucky Charm... and the poor kwamis are dragged after him.

143 ZIGGI
Nooooo!

144 TRIXX
Guaaaaaardian!

145 BARKK
Help! I want to stay with youuuu!!!

But all the kwamis are sucked in in Monarch's wake, and the portal closes before Ladybug and Cat Noir can do anything -- it all happens in a split second. *

The two heroes remain stunned and incredulous for a beat, their eyes riveted to the spot where Monarch just disappeared. *

Ladybug falls to her knees in shock...

146 LADYBUG
We had him... we almost had him! The kwamis... were saved! They were right here!!!

Cat Noir just stands there as if he couldn't hear his Lady, paralyzed by his own guilt:

147 CAT NOIR
I cataclysmed him! I don't believe this... My Lady... I just cataclysmed someone!!! Granted, it was Monarch, but... there's a real person behind that mask, and... I must have hurt him terribly! You've gotta fix this! *

Ladybug turns to Cat Noir, horrified as she realizes...

148 LADYBUG
Cat Noir... Monarch ran away with my Lucky Charm. Without it, I can't fix anything. I can't call up my power and undo the effect of the Cataclysm! *

Ladybug and Cat Noir look at each other, distraught.

149 LADYBUG (CONT'D)
There's... nothing I can do.

FADE TO:

11 **INT. MARINETTE'S ROOM - NIGHT**

Marinette is sitting next to Alya, still dazed. Alya holds her tightly in her arms, comforting her as best she can while Marinette tells her story:

150 MARINETTE
After that, there was nothing left to do anyway... so we split up.

Alya steps away from Marinette:

151 ALYA
Okay... so... We've got a cataclysmed Monarch out there... *
But I've just gotta know, HOW did you get Monarch to leave your room *
when he had you, Ladybug, right there under his nose?!
... and WHAT was that about the yo-yo keychain with the ice rink key?
I do NOT get it. At all!

Marinette smiles and starts telling the story:

152 MARINETTE
Ever since I became a guardian...

FADE TO :

12 **FLASHBACK: EP 401 ("TRUTH") REUSE**

In her room, Marinette pushes a button on the Miracle Box. All the kwamis pop out of it and go fooling around in her room... She barely manages to catch Kaalki who'd just gone out the window!

153 MARINETTE (OFF)
I was always afraid that Monarch would capture one of the kwamis and force them to talk... *

13 **FLASHBACKS: REUSE "SAPOTIS / ANANSI"**

Various points when, as a guardian, she handed a Miraculous to a new carrier:

154 MARINETTE (OFF)
It was so risky to give the Miraculous to other holders!

- Trixx to Alya

- Wayzz to Nino

155 MARINETTE (CONT'D)
What if they got lost? What if Monarch captured them? *

14 **FLASHBACK: REUSE FROM "KWAMIBUSTER"**

Kwamibuster sucks in all the Kwamis in turns!

156 MARINETTE OFF
I had to figure out how to cover my tracks, in case Monarch ever forced a kwami to reveal anything that could lead him to me! *

15 **FLASHBACK: MARINETE'S ROOM - NIGHT (SCENE TO BE CREATED)**

We see Marinette, surrounded by kwamis, drawing plans, throwing away papers, writing words, drawing more plans, sleeping on her plans...

157 MARINETTE OFF
Step one! I had to make sure I'd be warned if Monarch started looking for me... *

16 **FLASHBACK / INT. MARINETE'S ROOM - DAY (SCENE TO BE CREATED)**

Marinette, her hair untied, asleep among her plans and sketches, with the kwamis fooling around her. She starts awake with a glow in her eyes, a sheet of paper still stuck to her cheek! She has an idea!

158 MARINETTE (OFF)
...And what better person to warn me than Monarch himself? *

17 **FLASHBACK: REUSE SEQ. 6 FROM THIS EPISODE**

We revisit the moment of the episode when Monarch appears in Marinette's room. *

Marinette, stunned, sees QuadriMoth in her room.

159 QUADRIMOTH
Marinette Dupain-Cheng?

160 ALYA (O.S.)
Wait, wait, not so fast...

Alya interrupts the flashback!

18 **INT. MARINETTE'S ROOM - NIGHT**

Back to the room.

161 ALYA
You know I nearly had a heart attack when I saw Monarch *in your room!* *

Marinette puts a friendly arm around Alya's shoulders.

162 MARINETTE
Oh, I'm so sorry, Alya! Seriously, I never thought he'd show up in the middle of our sleepover!

The girls laugh.

19 **CONTINUE FLASHBACK: REUSE SEQ. 6 FROM THIS EPISODE**

We revisit the moment of the episode when Alya, upon finding herself face to face with Monarch, drops the tray with the croissants.. *

163 MARINETTE (OFF)
But... you made my plan even more credible! Your reaction was perfect!

We see the image of Alya pulling out her phone and pointing it at Monarch. *

164 ALYA
Listen everybody! Mega-Scoop! ... Live from Marinette Dupain-Cheng's room...

165 MARINETTE
But I had to get him out of the room as soon as possible! And that's why I'd come up with the idea of the keyring game!

20 **FLASHBACK / INT. MARINETTE'S ROOM - DAY (SCENE TO BE CREATED)**

Marinette, surrounded by the kwamis, is making the keychains.

FADE TO

21 **FLASHBACK / INT. GREVIN MUSEUM - DAY**

Ladybug takes a picture of Cat Noir's statue at the Grévin museum. Standing next to her is Véronique. Around them, the statues are still those of the akumatized villain (just like in season 3).

22 **FLASHBACK: ICE RINK - DAY (SCENE TO BE CREATED)**

Ladybug at the empty ice rink, taking a selfie with Philippe as LadyIce. The two friends pose.

166 LADYICE
3... 2... 1

167 LADYICE AND PHILIPPE
(cheeeeese!)
Kwamiiiiii!!!!!!!

CLICK! Once the photo's taken, LadyIce and Philippe chat as they walk to the exit of the rink and then to the lockers.

168 PHILIPPE
It was so nice of you take the selfie with me, Ladybug! I'm sure all the kids who love you will want to join the rink! I can post it on the internet, right-- you don't mind?

LadyIce flashes a mischievous smile.

169 LADYICE
Of course not! You know, Philippe, if you want to really increase your number of visitors... you should take photos of everyone who comes to the ice rink, like at the entrance of all the theme parks! *

170 PHILIPPE
You think?!

171 LADYICE
Of course! The more you show how popular your rink is, the more people will want to come! And they make great souvenirs too!

As they arrive in front of the lockers, an uber-enthusiastic Philippe immediately starts going one step further with exalted somersaults!

172 PHILIPPE
Wait!!! That's an amazing idea! I'm going to create a website dedicated to all my visitors! And I'll upload them instantly, so everybody can share their passion for skating before they've even left the rink!

LadyIce smiles:

173 LADYICE
And you know what? I'll be your first follower!

...she says, as she closes the locker inside which she's just slipped **a yoyo keychain and a picture of Cat Noir at the Grévin Museum!** She then grabs the locker key and puts it on **the second yoyo keychain.**

End flashback.

23 **INT. MARINETTE'S ROOM - NIGHT**

Alya is floored!

174 ALYA
Ok... the scavenger hunt was brilliant... but how did you manage to contact Cat Noir on such short notice?

Marinette smiles mischievously.

175 MARINETTE
I didn't need to!

24 **FLASHBACK : PARIS ROOFTOPS - SUNSET (SCENE TO BE CREATED)**

Ladybug and Cat Noir, sitting on a roof, are gazing at the sunset, eating ice cream... Ladybug shows her ice rink selfie to Cat Noir.

176 CHAT NOIR
Niiice! Let me know next time you go ice-skating -- I'll come somersaulting with you!

A dreamy Cat Noir can already see himself there!

177 CHAT NOIR (CONT'D)
The second a bug-signal lights up the sky, I'll put on my skates!

178 LADYBUG
No need for a bug-signal! Just follow the rink's profile -- you'll get photos of the customers in real time!

Cat Noir immediately whips out his Catphone to follow the account.

179 CAT NOIR
Awesome! I'm going to set a notification alert for "LadyIce", "Ladybug"...

Ladybug smiles innocently, flapping her legs on the roof.

180 LADYBUG
Don't forget one for Hawk Moth too, kitty. *

Cat Noir looks befuddled.

181 CAT NOIR
Oh no! I don't feel like skating with him AT ALL!

182 LADYBUG
Maybe...
(mysterious)
But the day Hawk Moth shows up at the rink, you'll have to meet me at the Grévin Museum immediately! *

As Cat Noir gives her a puzzled look:

183 CAT NOIR
Huh?!

Ladybug goes on, amused by his bewildered look. She takes his hands in hers and slips him a small piece of paper.

184 LADYBUG
And that's not all. In preparation for that day, I'm going to need you to keep this little piece of paper in your bell.

Cat Noir, even more surprised, reads the word on the paper...

185 CAT NOIR
Half-wit? Hey, that's not very nice!

Ladybug comforts him:

186 LADYBUG
It's not meant for you, Silly! But I promise one day you'll understand.

Cat Noir smiles, amused.

187 CAT NOIR
I trust you, My Lady... your plans are like your Lucky Charm: often complicated, sometimes really strange, but they always work out!

He slips the note into his bell and stretches his legs, happy to please his Lady.

25 **INT.MARINETTE'S ROOM - NIGHT**

Alya laughs even harder:

188 ALYA
You mean Cat Noir's been walking around all this time with a paper that says "half-wit" in his bell?!

Marinette nods mischievously...

189 ALYA (CONT'D)
There never was a real address?

Marinette shakes her head no.

190 MARINETTE
What mattered was for Monarch to THINK he was piecing an address together and to rush from one step to another without thinking! *

Marinette shrugs.

191 MARINETTE (CONT'D)
The kwamis don't even know what an address *is*!

Marinette looks around, looks at the walls of her room, on which the images of the Kwamis fooling around, going through the walls, are fleetingly superimposed.

192 MARINETTE (CONT'D)
But they always knew how to get home...
(darkening)
... and I knew that if they were captured by Monarch, they would be forced to tell him how they find their way back... *

26 **SCENE TO BE CREATED WITH ZIGGI**

We see Ziggi saying:

193 ZIGGI
Just follow... sniff... the smell of croissants...

Director's note: Gabriel is not to be seen in this shot, Marinette can't be imagining him, otherwise we might think she knows who Monarch is! Only show Ziggi. *

27 **INT.MARINETTE'S ROOM - NIGHT**

Marinette carries on, smiling at Alya.

194 MARINETTE
But I also knew there was nothing keeping them... from *adding* a little something!

28 **FLASHBACK / INT. MARINETTE'S ROOM - DAY (SCENE TO BE CREATED)**

We see Marinette playing the conductor in her room, making the kwamis rehearse, all lined up like a mini choir.

195 MARINETTE
Repeat after me... "*That's it, then you have to ask for the gift!*"

The kwamis repeat in unison:

196 KWAMIS
That's it, then you have to ask for the gift!

Marinette continues:

197 MARINETTE
"*And in case we got lost, Ladybug gave people a way for us to find out where she lives...*"

The kwamis repeat all together:

198 KWAMIS
"*In case we got lost...*"

29 **FLASHBACK: REUSE SEQ.6 FROM THIS EPISODE**

199 MONARCH *
I DIDN'T ASK YOU FOR A KEYCHAIN!!!
I ASKED YOU TO TAKE ME TO THE
GUARDIAN!!!

His anger frightens the kwamis so much that they all hide in single file behind Sass, who calmly answers:

200 SASS
Yes. And that's what we're doing, Monarch. *

201 ROARR
As Ladybug is always very careful, we don't know her address...

202 BARKK
So, in case we'd get lost, she came up with a little scavenger hunt to help us find where she lives...

203 XUPPU
Isn't this so much fun?

204 DAIZZI
And the first clue was to follow the smell of croissants!

30 **INT.MARINETTE'S ROOM - NIGHT**

Back in the room. Marinette smiles tenderly at the thought of her dear Kwamis.

205 MARINETTE
Well, they improvised a little in their own way, but they were perfect.

206 ALYA
I thought the kwamis *had* to tell the truth!?

Marinette, sly: *

207 MARINETTE
What?! It *was* the truth! Didn't Ladybug really give Marinette Dupain-Cheng, Philippe, and Cat Noir a way for the kwamis to find their home... and cause Monarch to * fall into her trap!?

30A **FLASHBACK: REUSE SEQ.6 FROM THIS EPISODE**

We see Monarch leaving Marinette's room through the portal, * followed by the Kwamis.

But the scene goes on: we stay in the room (**SHOTS TO BE CREATED**) and see Marinette transforming into Ladybug.

208 LADYBUG
Tikki, spots on!

She transforms (fast version) right in front of Alya and then yo-yos her way out the window...

32 **EXT. PARIS - DAY**

Ladybug leaps over rooftops to join Chat Noir in front of the Grévin Museum...

33 **INT. GREVIN MUSEUM - DAY**

Ladybug and Cat Noir move the statue of Cat Noir as Véronique watches.

Then, Cat Noir moves into position, in lieu of the statue, as Ladybug and Véronique look on, and then beckon that it's perfect...

Then, Ladybug goes and hides in a corner of the room.

End flashbacks

34 **INT.MARINETTE'S ROOM - NIGHT**

In the room, Marinette darkens as she looks at her empty room.

209 MARINETTE
But the kwamis never came home. My plan failed.

Tears bead in the corner of her eyes again. She wipes them away hurriedly.

An emotional Alya takes her hands, makes eye contact with her, and gently but firmly scolds her:

210 ALYA
ARE YOU KIDDING ME?! How can you say something like that?! You... You came up with, with the most amazing plan ever!!! Monarch shows up in your room, and he ends up cataclysmed?! I wouldn't call that a failure! *

Marinette looks up at her friend and sniffs, while Alya goes on, totally exhilarated!

211 ALYA (CONT'D)
It proves that you're only the most amazing superhero the world has ever seen! You really showed some self-control, Marinette!

212 MARINETTE
You... you think?

Alya smiles, moved by her best friend's big, doubtful eyes.

213 ALYA
Of course. You didn't get the kwamis back, but it's only a matter of time, I know it.

Alya even pretends to be a little upset.

214 ALYA (CONT'D)
And here I was wondering how I could help you without superpowers... but -- you don't even need me!

Marinette starts smiling again and wipes away her tears...

215 MARINETTE
Of course I need you.

She holds her tight.

216 MARINETTE (CONT'D)
The one superpower you'll never lose is the power to be the best BFF ever.

Alya bounces back joyfully, so happy to have comforted her friend:

217 ALYA
And I'll be here for as long as it takes... Monarch can come up with whatever evil plan he wants, but that's the last time he makes my BFF cry! *

The girls laugh heartily and finally eat the croissants that Tom prepared for them.

Alya then picks up her cell phone that Monarch threw away earlier. *

218 ALYA (CONT'D)
And, Monarch owes me a Smartphone! *

Tikki's head pops out of Kitty-Boo and she looks tenderly at the two friends, relieved to see her guardian smiling.

35 **INT. GABRIEL'S STUDY - NIGHT**

On Gabriel standing at his digital desk, drawing. More impassive than ever, he's drawing a new suit, with gloves.

Gabriel scratches his forearm, the one Cat Noir hit earlier... He rolls up his sleeve.

There's a dark mark on his forearm. Gabriel remains impassive. He rolls his sleeve down over the mark...

36 **START CLIP SEQUENCE**

37 **INT. MONARCH'S LAIR - DAY** *

- In his lair, assisted by equipment branded with the Tsurugi logo, Monarch meticulously takes apart the 14 Miraculous he took from Ladybug: Rena Rouge's necklace, Carapace's bracelet, Pegasus's glasses, King Monkey's torque, Vesperia's comb... *

One after the other, each piece of jewellery is dismantled, crushed, reduced into indistinguishable material...

38 **INT. GABRIEL AGRESTE'S STUDY - DAY**

Gabriel is talking to Mrs. Tsurugi, showing her drawings of rings, when Adrien opens the door...

Nathalie closes the door in his face, hiding the ongoing talks from him...

Mrs. Tsurugi assents to Gabriel’s plans and hands him a suitcase.

39 **INT. MONARCH'S LAIR - DAY** *

Gabriel opens Mrs. Tsurugi's briefcase and pulls out a new robot with a small compartment. Gabriel fills the robot's compartment with debris from Pegasus's glasses. The robot melts the debris from the Miraculous and transforms it into a simple ring.

Gabriel continues...

He transforms one stolen Miraculous after another into identical rings.

40 **INT. MONARCH'S LAIR - DAY**

Pan up from Gabriel's feet to his hands, covered in rings, **in his new white suit.**

219 GABRIEL
What do you think of the new MIRACULOUS, my dear kwamis? *

He shows his jewels to the kwamis, who we discover are being held prisoners, terrorized, in the lair.

Gabriel then puts on his gloves and gets into position.

220 GABRIEL (CONT'D)
Nooroo, Dark Wings Rise.

Gabriel transforms into his new shape of **MONARCH.** *

221 MONARCH
Ladybug, Cat Noir, you'll never get the chance to deceive me again... because Monarch's reign is about to begin!

END OF EPISODE